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In re Application of: Lawson	)	
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Cary, North Carolina
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is intended to correct simple clerical error. Applicant respectfully notes the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application dated October 24, 2003, *was not received until February 17, 2004 (via facsimile)*, a date well after the actual deadline to respond to said Notice. Please see highlighted copy enclosed.

Upon examination of Applicant's own records, it was discovered that a copy of Figure 8 and Figure 9 were indeed enclosed with the original Application filed July 25, 2003. Specifically, the words "Figure 8" and "Figure 9" were inadvertently cut from the Application copy used for filing. Please find a red-lined copy and clean copy of Figure 8 and Figure 9, enclosed for your consideration.

Applicant kindly requests the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application dated October 24, 2003, be disregarded considering the circumstances surrounding this matter. No new matter has been added. Should the Office have any questions or concerns, please contact the undersigned Attorney for Applicant.